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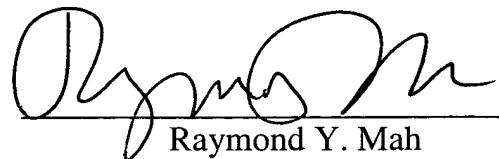
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An Amendment/Response to the Office Action dated July 12, 2004 was filed on November 12, 2004. However, since then Applicant has not received any communication from the Patent Office regarding our response. Inquiry is made as to when a communication will be forthcoming.

Respectfully submitted,

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